

Detectives Make Arrest in Fraudulent Prescription Drug Scheme



Jamir ERVIN

Wilmington – Delaware State Police have arrested a New Castle man for using fraudulent prescriptions at multiple pharmacy locations throughout New Castle County.

The investigation began on Monday, November 13, 2017, when members of the Drug Diversion Unit responded to the First State Pharmacy, located at 1707 Foulk Road, Wilmington,

regarding a subject, who was attempting to obtain a prescription for promethazine with codeine. The prescription was purportedly prescribed by a New York physician, however pharmacy staff were able to confirm that the subject, later identified as Jamir Ervin, 20, of New Castle, was not under the doctor's care, and that the prescription was fraudulent. Promethazine, which is widely abused, is commonly known as cough syrup, but still requires a prescription.

Detectives made contact with Ervin inside the pharmacy, as he attempted to obtain the prescription, and he was taken into custody without incident.

Based on further investigative leads, Ervin was able to be linked to three other similar incidents, which occurred between October, 10 and November 13, 2017, at this same First State Pharmacy, as well as the Walmart located at 705 Middletown-Warwick Road, Middletown, and the Rite Aid, located at 455 W. Main Street, Middletown.

Ervin was transported to Troop 2 where he was arrested and charged with four counts of Obtaining/Attempting to Obtain a Controlled Substance by Misrepresentation, Fraud, Forgery or Deception and one count of Conspiracy 2nd Degree. Ervin was arraigned at Justice of the Peace Court #2 and released on \$10,000 unsecured bond.

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